

# public address

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## "I am not non-activist"

— *President-elect Jim McCoubrey*



I hope the attempts to villify me since my election have failed. I am not a member of the militant right or of the "non-activist opposition".

I was elected on a platform of responsible student government and I will stand by that platform. I do not agree that "the battle lines are drawn." I do not anticipate "continuous conflict" between oppos-

ing factions. I look for a year of healthy discussion, constructive dialogue, and ideological intercourse.

The coming year will not see a presidency in which predetermined stands, once taken, end in apology and embarrassment.

Let us take a course where there is no place for factional innuendo.

Let us take a course of positive action, not forgetting our obligations as citizens, but remembering that before we can be respected we must show ourselves worthy of respect.

I wish to thank those people who devoted so much of their time to aiding me in my campaign. To them and to all members of the Students' Society I pledge a term of honesty and sincerity, of open consensus and varied expression, a term of which, with your help, I hope we may be proud.

Jim McCoubrey

### N.B.

Public Address is a publication of the Information and Public Relations Bureau. This is our last edition for the year, but we will be working hard all summer in a massive organisational drive. If you are interested in working for us or want information concerning Students' Society clubs, contact Leon Gold or Martin Gerson in Room 411 of the Union or call 288-4231 local 66.

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# Russian Students to Land Shortly

On September 24, 1966, six Russian students will be arriving in Montreal for a three week visit to Quebec. This trip will give the Russians an opportunity to meet with Quebec university students and to become familiar with our systems of higher education.

meet with student and government officials. They will take part in discussion groups and will have the chance to meet with as many students as possible on an informal basis. We also hope that they will be able to visit some of the industrial centres of the province.

taken in conjunction with the University of Montreal. The committee, made up from students of our two universities, will be making plans for their trip during the summer. Anyone who is interested in working on the programme is asked to go to room 411 in the University Centre and leave his name and phone number.

During their stay, they will

This programme is being under-

## EXECUTIVE APPLICATIONS

The Students' Council established permanent committees for the purpose of organizing numerous activities of the Students' Society — such as Winter Carnival.

A total of 22 committee heads, 3 editors, and one producer (yes — Red & White Revue), are needed each year.

Those McGill students wishing to hold such positions should submit their application forms to the SC office by 4 P.M., March 25, 1966.

No one chairmanship is awarded to the same individual for two complete aca-

demic years, nor are such positions self perpetuating in the "friend-to-friends" fashion.

Selections are based on competence, experience, imagination and the desire to work, as expressed by the candidates at their interviews.

Our fellow students in the lower years, are urged to take an active interest in these organizations, in preparing for a future executive position.

For further information, contact Information and Public Relations Bureau, Room 411 of University Centre.

### APPLICATIONS ARE RE-OPENED FOR CHAIRMAN OF: —

campus chest  
convocation '67  
mcgill conference on students' affairs  
pre-university committee  
scope  
social development committee  
editor of fig leaf

... for the year 1966 - 1967

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4 PM, MARCH 25, 1966

FRANK FARAGO,  
Director  
Executive Applications

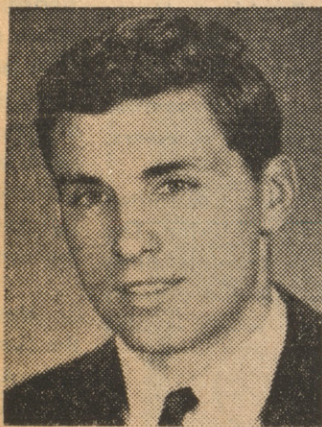


## McLean Speaks

# "Complete Overhaul Needed"

The campaigning is over. Platforms, pensketches, posters and petty intrigues have faded as rapidly as they originally blossomed. Only the same problems remain: for new people must now face them.

With regard to External Affairs, the Executive must ensure that channels are open at all times for co-operation on any level with the French Canadian universities. We would also hope that the Executive will examine closely the role of the student in society, and more specifically the McGill student in Quebec society. With regard to



Internal Affairs, a complete overhaul of the existing system is needed. The whole concept of student services must be re-examined, and a more efficient method of internal organization should be instituted.

### UGEQ and CUS

This has been a year of awareness at McGill. Students who last year

had never heard of UGEQ and CUS are now even debating the merits or demerits of student syndicalism. This awareness of student affairs has spread to the faculty — witness the number of letters to the editor of the *Daily* which have come from staff members. It is precisely this spirit which the executive must strive to preserve next year. A good student government can be distinguished from a mediocre one by the interest and sense of involvement which each individual (within its jurisdiction) feels. None of us want to go back to the "good old days". Neither do we want a bureaucratic side-show merely to attract student attention. Rational debate from all sides, logical argument, and progressive legislation are much better substitutes. If the Executive can manage to infuse a spirit of co-operation between certain opposing factions, as well as maintain a high level of student awareness, then it will have succeeded in bringing a totally dynamic form of student government to McGill.

### "Comedy of Errors"

So much for student government in general terms. More specifically, what about Internal Affairs?

This year, quite frankly, has been a "Comedy of Errors" with regard to internal organization.

The first function of the Internal Vice-President will be to specifically outline the functions and duties which are attached to various positions in order not to have an overlap of jurisdictions. What must be avoided at all costs is the inefficiency which is created when a number of people are responsible for one single operation. By streamlining administrative duties, hopefully we can improve student services. This summer a committee will be closely examining the operations, which have taken place during the past year, of some of the more essential student services, especially the working of the cafeteria. It is also hoped that a feasibility study can be made with regard to the establishment of a student co-operative at McGill. The space needs of all organizations requiring offices will be looked into thoroughly, and a more equitable system of office allocation will be instituted over the vacation period. By September, it is hoped that a library for student publications will be in operation. This library will contain current issues of college newspapers from across the country, as well as all types of student publications of McGill.

This is then what Internal Affairs hopes to accomplish in the near future.

## CUS Conference

Delegates are required for the CUS conference to be held at the University of Waterloo, Ontario, August 28 to September 3. The topic for discussion at this year's CUS seminar is "Identity and Anxiety: Crisis of a Student Generation."

Applications are to be picked up from and returned to the Students' Council office by March 25, 1966.

Phil GOOCH,  
Conference Committee



The move to the new University Centre on McTavish Street this year has borne fruit to the many years of planning of past members of the McGill Students' Society. With the increased number of students on campus and the shift in traffic flow "up the hill", the new 'Union' has become a favourite meeting place and centre for extra-curricular activities.

Thousands march across its threshold every day to make use of the cafeteria facilities, converse over a cup of coffee in the main floor coffee lounge or relax in the carpeted sitting lounges.

Aside from group activities which have ranged from banquets, dances, and guest speakers in the Ballroom to 'bridge-ins' and boycotts; much goes on behind the scenes. Whether it be the press rolling in the sub-basement duplicating office, the late evening hub-bub of the Daily office, a rehearsal of the Player's Club or a committee meeting on the fourth floor, one finds activity going on from sunrise until long after sunset.

#### Professional staff

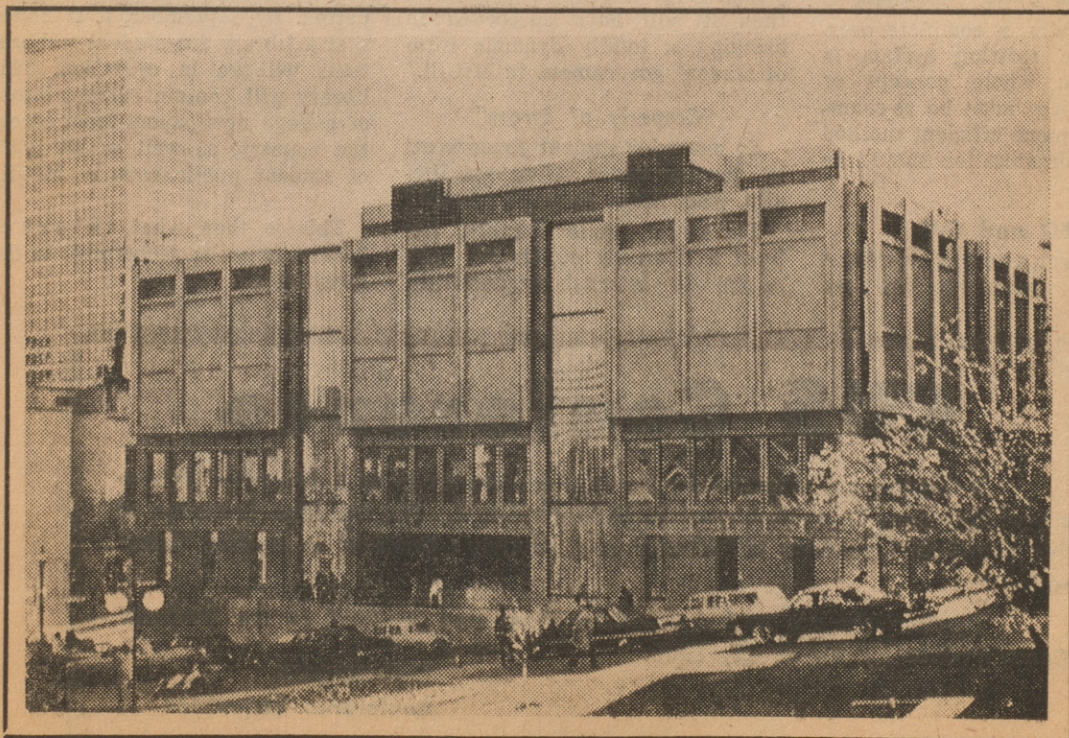
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The Building Manager, Mrs. Gaudet and her staff are the people responsible for the

# What's New In the "Ne

maintenance of the new 'Union' and soon after the last student has left at night, a crew of workers comes in to prepare for the next day's activities. Vitally concerned with the use of the building and the availability of facilities along with the Building Manager is the Internal Vice-President, Marty Edelstein, (the Internal Vice-President Elect for next year is Ian McLean), who sits on the Union and is also an ex-officio member of the University Centre Board of Directors.

It is the job of the Executive Committee and the 'Union Board' to run the Union. The 'Board' essentially does the administrative work along the lines set out in the policies of the Executive Committee, which is also the disciplinary body.



#### Sl... the Bo...

This year's Newman (the new one being chosen), has been chosen. The 'Board' got off to a good start because of the late election of a man and problem. None the less, the 'Board' has a sight into the internal building, and a lot of information and a lot of the coming year.

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who are interested in what's going on in  
the Union and for people who have ideas  
and suggestions on how it can do its job.  
Certain research and planning projects are  
expected to be initiated this summer when  
leisure time is readily available. There is

also always the possibility that some sum-  
mer programming may be arranged on a  
small scale.

Aside from House Operations, the  
'Board' also has a Social Events committee,  
a Publicity and Public Relations committee,  
a department of University Centre Services,  
a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

If interested call...

If you are interested in joining the  
'Union Board' next year or would like more  
information about any aspects of its work,  
please leave a note at the switchboard or  
call 481-8485. Anyone who would also like  
to join in this summer's planning is also  
cordially invited to make this known.

Director of House Operations  
**MORRIE SACKS**



On several occasions throughout the year, some students found cause to protest  
the services of the Union Cafeteria. The Students' Council is presently reconsider-  
ing its contract with the professional caterers which now manage the 'eatery'.



## Sharon's year-end report:

# "State of the University" Address

Any report of this year's activities must begin in the month of March 1965. Many of you will remember that March was the month when a fee increase of \$100 was announced. Hundreds of students at an Open Meeting of the Students' Society decided to mandate the Students' Council to use whatever means necessary to prevent a fee increase, and to participate in a Day of Action in order to bring to the attention of the University, the Government and the public the fact that McGill students could not and were not willing to pay the \$100 fee increase. Five thousand students took part in this day of action — March 22nd.

Meetings with representatives from the administration and the government in the summer and in the fall proved unsuccessful and there was no decrease in tuition fees. The only method left then was that of civil disobedience: a possible refusal to pay the increase by withholding the fees in the second term. In October, however, McGill students indicated that they no longer wished to fight the fee increase, and so the fight ended.

A second problem was the question of affiliation of the McGill Students' Society with outside Student Unions. Last year we were in a very difficult position, being members of The Canadian Union of Students as well as a student group in Quebec without contact with the Student Union in Quebec. To investigate this problem, a committee was set up last summer which travelled throughout the province speaking to all French-speaking leaders, investigating the nature of the Student Union in Quebec. Its findings were printed in a thirty-five page report, on the basis of which the Students' Council decided to join U.G.E.Q. This report and many articles on the question of U.G.E.Q. were printed in the *McGill Daily* before the U.G.E.Q. Congress. It was only after the Congress, when the McGill Students' Society was accepted as a member of U.G.E.Q., that McGill students came to realize that we had joined U.G.E.Q. and concerned themselves with the issue. The result — the Students Society of McGill University is no longer a member of U.G.E.Q.

The Students' Council instituted several new committees this year in an attempt to bring to the Stu-

dents' Society an orientation of public service. These committees are as follows:

1) The National Affairs Committee, which is preparing a book on Quebec and Quebec Institu-



tions, designed to inform young people across the country of what is happening in Quebec.

2) The International Affairs Committee, established to do research on international affairs and to give effect to our South Africa Programme, the official policy of the McGill Students' Society being that of opposition to the policy of apartheid in South Africa.

3) The Human Rights Committee, which is concerning itself with the problems of discrimination against McGill students in the McGill vicinity.

4) The Social Development Committee — to concern itself with the establishment of the Mental Hospital Visiting Programme, and participation in *Travailleurs Etudiants du Québec* — an organization whereby students, on salary from the Government, will be doing work in underdeveloped and underprivileged areas of Quebec.

5) The Pre-University Affairs Committee, which concerns itself with High School students, informing them of the benefits of university life. To this end it carries on three main programmes: a High School Visiting Programme, in which McGill students visit High Schools in the Montreal area; a High School Tutorial Programme, whereby McGill students tutor High School students; a High School newspaper which is sent to High School students in Quebec once a month.

6) The University Affairs Committee — to concern itself with the type of education that we are receiving at McGill, and with the nature of the administration of any university and our university in particular. This committee presented a report to Council several weeks ago, which was adopted and became the subject of discussion at a recent meeting of the Senate and the Students' Council. This committee has also been concerned with experimental courses, and with the help of professors set up two non-credit courses this year.

This year has seen the establishment of a much-needed Information and Public Relations Bureau. This Bureau should have information on what is going on in

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# Folk Festival in Fall

MFTM has arrived! MFTM is a new four-letter word: it stands for McGill Friends of Traditional Music, a new campus organization with an outrageously ambitious programme cut for itself. Based on the premise that traditional folk music is the only aesthetically complete folk music, MFTM will try to offset the insidious bastardization and creeping commercialism of pop-folk by emphasizing the traditional roots of 'pure folk music.

Through MFTM, people of various musical persuasions will have the opportunity to learn more about the many facets of traditional music from broadside ballads to hoedown fiddling to low-down, lonesome blues. The objective of MFTM is to present the best of traditional music in a programme of workshops, films, and discussion groups.

In true pioneer spirit, MFTM is sponsoring the First Annual McGill Folk Festival early in October — the first such festival ever held at any Canadian university. This week-long extravaganza will be MFTM's initial project and is guaranteed to get the fall term off to a flying start. Diverse elements will be featured which will appeal to everybody from the dabbling dilettante to the purest purist. A slate of top-flight traditional performers will be spotlighted in a series of five evening concerts, with a different programme being presented each night. The MFTM executive is confident that the festival will be of sufficiently high calibre to attract people from miles around to come to McGill and bask in this great music.

Traditional folk music can be very serious, even grim and tragic; on the other hand, it can be joyous and brimming with good-time spirit and zest. This basic duality was established by our roving reporter in an exclusive interview granted by MFTM Vice-President Ian Turner in the luxurious surroundings of his little brown shack out behind the barn: "Both of these aspects constitute a valid cultural contribution," explained Turner, flicking a gnat off the left suspender-strap of his overalls and taking a long draw on his corn-cob pipe. "Our overall approach will be more or less lighthearted... After all, it's a living tradition, not to be relegated to musty filing-cabinets or tucked away in a museum display-

case. So don't be surprised if we pull some unusual stunts to promote our festival — like running barefoot through Moyse Hall during a Faculty Course lecture, or bombing around campus in a vintage touring-car with a big bass fiddle bouncing around in the rumble seat."

"In short," he concluded, "cancel your subscription to Batman Comics, and spend your money on a subscription ticket to the McGill Folk Festival."

But to return to a lighter vein, MFTM is also unique in that one of its long-range goals is the establishment at McGill of a new academic department — namely, a Department of Folklore and Ethnomusicology giving courses in traditional music and lore. MFTM will be contacting the many U.S. universities which have

flourishing folklore departments and, with their help and suggestions, will draw up a brief stating their case, which will then be submitted to the McGill administration.

Needless to say, MFTM requires active support from interested students in order to supplement their ambitious programme. Membership is free, and those interested are asked to make themselves known now, so that the summer work necessary for organizing the Folk Festival can begin soon after exams. Phone one of the members of the MFTM executive any night after 7 p.m.: — Bill Kaufman (president), 738-8431... Ian Turner (vice-president), 481-4881... Doug Benson (treasurer), 484-5203. And don't just watch MFTM at work next year — participate!



Next year, for the first time, McGill University will have its own five-day folk-festival. A recently formed group called the MFTM is presently planning the event, to be staged in October.



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the Students' Society, and will send out press releases when necessary, to inform the public of the work the McGill Students' Society is undertaking. It will regularly publish a bulletin of the Students' Council, informing the students of the work of Council, and the work of the Civil Service of the Council. All these committees act only on mandate from the Students' Council, and are in effect a civil service of the Students' Council.

A Constitutional Committee was formed, and for the first time open hearings are being held on review of our constitution. I believe that two open hearings have been heard thus far.

We have certain committees which do research on ways in which we can serve the students better. One such committee is the Student Services Committee, which has been doing research into the establishment of co-ops at McGill, seriously considering the establishing of a banking co-op. It is also investigating the possibilities of a Lost and Found Service throughout the University. A report has been presented to Council on the findings of the Lost and Found committee, and though this report has not yet been considered by Council, it will be considered at the next meeting.

Another possibility which has been investigated by the Student Services Committee, is the setting up of a student guide service during the summer. This is a way of providing summer jobs for the students, and for getting some profit for the Students' Union. A committee has done some research on this question, and especially with Expo '67 coming up, it might prove especially useful.

In addition to all of these new things which were instituted, the regular activities of the Students' Council were carried on as usual. I would like to refer here to a few misconceptions in the minds of many members of the Students'

Society. There have been many accusations levelled against the Students' Council, the Executive, and me personally, with respect to dishonest, tyrannical, dictator-like double-dealing. I might point out that this is the first year in the history of the McGill Students' Society that Students' Council meetings have been advertised in advance. Many hours have been spent on routine administrative business, on very quiet, very internal matters, and these are the matters that do not receive the publicity. One would hardly expect the news media to depict these routine matters, and so per-der a misconception as to exactly haps many students have been un-what has gone on this year.

I must mention and justify the abolition of awards and the Awards Banquet. In the past, many people have received awards who were perhaps not deserving; and many people who were deserving have not received awards. The nature of our Students' Society being what it is, it was impossible to determine who was the responsible for the success or failure of an organization or a function, other than the Chairman. And simply because there were far too many unsung heroes, and far too many heroes who possibly did not deserve to be heroes, the Students' Council decided to abolish awards.

I would like, with your indulgence, to read part of a statement which I read to the Students' Council on December 2nd. I think it is important with respect to impressing upon you exactly what did happen this year:

Since my election last March, the McGill Students' Society has undergone profound changes, changes which are going to remain for a long time. We began to articulate a new philosophy in student affairs; we undertook and completed a reorganization of the administrative structures of the Students' Society. We built a civil service, attached to our Student Government, to better serve the needs of our students. We emphasized the educational perspective of student affairs. We stood up and defended the needs and rights of students whenever and wherever it was necessary. We had a serious concern for the social and political problems of our society. We tried, and succeeded, until several months ago, to organize concrete and positive cooperation between English and French-speaking students in Quebec. I hope that people who follow will realize the necessity of maintaining the new committees which are established, will realize the necessity of making ourselves felt, not only within the university but outside of the university; will realize the necessity of making the name of the McGill Students' Society known in high schools and with the public, will realize the necessity of participating in the society around us, whether it be a Mental Hospital Visiting programme or work in depressed areas of Quebec or high school tutorial service. I hope that my successors will see fit to carry on work in these areas. All of the candidates have certainly indicated that they will do so in the coming years.

## public address

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warmer inside. leon just came back from the john and reports the temperature of the air to be forty-four and the temperature of the seat to be thirty-two, and it's raining in. the temperature of naomi is getting colder and colder as she looks over my shoulder while i type this, not to speak of marty's temperature. he's a great guy until we get him to the printers'. he still heatedly maintains that his ideas are better, and of course vic who — uh — was a constant source of inspiration... it sure is cold in montreal...